

COMMON RUSH  
*Juncus effusus*

Located in swamps, bogs and marshy areas throughout much of North America. Also known as Bog or Soft Rush.

This rush is highly variable in form with many recognized varieties. Normally found in thick tussocks of erect, soft to firm stems, arising from a dense network of roots. Stems round in cross-section; with fine to coarse ridges; 0.4 to 2 m high; green. Sheaths clasp the base of the stems. The flowering structure appears to originate from the side of the stem; 2-10 cm long. Actually the portion of the plant above the flower is a leaf 5 to 25 cm long. Flower clusters on the end of short, forked branches; flowers green, straw-colored or brown.

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